

IN SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

JULY 26, 1842.

Ordered to be printed.—To accompany bill Senate 307.

Mr. WILLIAMS submitted the following

REPORT :

*The Committee on Naval Affairs, to whom was recommitted the petition of Thomas B. Parsons, have had the same under consideration, and report :*

That said Parsons was placed upon the roll of invalid naval pensioners in 1835, at the rate of six dollars per month, for a total disability produced by a rupture while he was in the discharge of his duty in the naval service of the United States in 1808. He represents that, at the time of his being disabled, he was coxswain of the boat, and ought to have had a pension accordingly. By the evidence now adduced, the committee are satisfied that, at the time of the injury to Parsons, he was coxswain of the boat, and therefore report a bill increasing his pension to nine dollars per month, commencing May 30, 1835. It might be reasonable to extend the benefits of the increased pension to an earlier period, but it appears that, in virtue of the act of March, 1837, the petitioner had his pension of six dollars per month carried back to 1808, and covering many years while he was not so much disabled as to render him incapable of service.

Thomas Allen, print.

IN SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 27, 1885

Ordered to be printed. — To accompany bill No. 107

Mr. WILLIAMS introduced the following

REPORT

The Committee on Naval Affairs to whom was referred the bill for the relief of James H. Williams, have the honor to report that the same is in conformity with the provisions of the act of March 3, 1879, and covering many years while he was not so much disabled as to render him incapable of service.

That said James was placed upon the roll of invalids in 1879, at the rate of six dollars per month, for a total disability, and was retired while he was in the discharge of his duty in the naval service of the United States in 1879. The pension was at the time of his being disabled, he was captain of the boat and upon his return to the United States, the pension was reduced to nine dollars per month, and in the time of the inquiry to fifteen, he was awarded of the boat and pension report a bill increasing his pension to nine dollars per month, commencing May 30, 1885. It might be responsible to extend the pension of the increased pension to an earlier period, but it appears that in 1879, the act of March 1885, the pensioner had his pension of six dollars per month carried back to 1879, and covering many years while he was not so much disabled as to render him incapable of service.

Very respectfully,  
JAMES A. HARRIS